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Applicant	:	Paul R. Petersen		
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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Sir:

In connection with the above-referenced U. S. patent application, transmitted herewith are the following papers:

- Response under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 to official action mailed 17 July 2006.
- A petition for extension of time is also enclosed with a fee of \$55.00 for a one-month extension for a small entity.
- Terminal disclaimer under 37 C.F.R. § 1.321(c), including
- check for \$110.00 fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d), and
- 2 certificates under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b).
- Information disclosure statement, form 1449 and references.
- No additional claims fees are required.

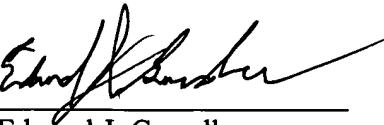
An additional fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

AMENDED CLAIMS					
	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	ADDTL FEE
Total Claims		MINUS = 20	0	x \$18 =	
Independent Claims		MINUS = 3	0	x \$78 =	
If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$260.00					
Total Amendment Fee					
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Amendment Fee					
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$0.00

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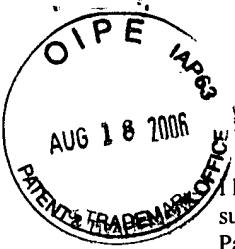
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In response to the office action of **17 July 2006**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.